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SAVANNAH, Ga. - The Armstrong Atlantic State University men's and women's tennis teams are home, National Championship trophies in tow! The Pirates flew into Savannah/Hilton Head International airport from Louisville on Sunday morning and were greeted by members of the Armstrong and Savannah community, as well as the local media.

The Pirates, who won both NCAA DII tennis championships in the same season for the third time in the last five years, enjoyed a spectacular morning that made all the hard work worthwhile. The welcome mirrored the 2008 celebration at the Airport when the Pirates won both titles in the Spring Sports Festival in Houston.

Armstrong senior **Kathleen Henry** brought the women's trophy down the terminal to the waiting crowd in the reception area, while Armstrong senior Mikk Irdoja did the honors with the men's trophy. The national championship is the seventh for the Armstrong women's program, tying for the most in DII history, while the men's title is the third, tying them for fifth-most in DII history.

Armstrong has also won both titles in the same season three times - only one other school has done it before in NCAA history, that being BYU-Hawaii in 2002 and 2003.

Meanwhile, watch the highlights of both the men's and women's matches via NCAA.com [here](#) (men) and [here](#) (women).

Welcome back Pirates, and great job !





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